

CONSTANTINE PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Constantine Parish Council held on Thursday June 21, 2018 at 7.00pm in The Vestry, Constantine.

Present:

Cllr Mrs S.Dunstan	Cllr Mrs T.Thomson
Cllr J.Andrew	Cllr C.Painter
Cllr Mrs P.Bradley-Davis	Cllr R.Wickins
Cllr A.Carter	Mr C.Chapman (Clerk)

Visitors: CCllr J.Bastin and Mr J.Bryant.

In the absence of both the Chairman and the Vice-Chairman, Cllr Mrs Bradley-Davis proposed, Cllr Andrew seconded and it was agreed that Cllr Mrs Dunstan should assume the chair for this meeting.

Cllr Mrs Dunstan assumed the chair and welcomed members and visitors to the meeting.

PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Members noted concerns about planning application PA18/04451. Those concerns were about

- continuing access to the agricultural fields to the north-east
- the adequacy of the proposed visibility splay allowing safe access to the highway
- the inclusion of dormer windows (which are felt not to be compatible with the farm building)
- the comparatively high density of dwellings.

The Chairman advised all those who have concerns to express them in a letter to the Planning Authority.

Mr Bryant expressed his interest in the history of Constantine and informed members that some years ago a row of terraced houses stood on the edge of The Square where the bus shelter and the Jubilee Stone are now sited. He offered his expertise as an architect should there be interest in developing the area further.

1 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr P.Carter (holiday), Cllr Bolt (family), Cllr Nicholls (family) and Cllr Wiseman (illness) sent their apologies for absence. Cllr Andrew proposed, Cllr Mrs Bradley Davis seconded and it was agreed to accept their apologies.

2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

in items on the agenda

There were no declarations of interest in items on the agenda.

of gifts (received as a result of being a member of the Council) of a value greater than £25

There were no declarations of gifts of a value greater than £25.

3 CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

Cllr Wickins proposed, Cllr Andrew seconded, all others in favour that, with the addition of the hand-written amendment, the minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on Thursday May 15, 2018 are a true record and the Chairman signed them as being accurate.

Cllr Carter proposed, Cllr Mrs Thomson seconded, all others in favour that, with the addition of the hand-written amendment, the minutes of the Annual Meeting held on Thursday May 15, 2018 should be adopted as a true record and the Chairman signed them as such.

4 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES BUT NOT INCLUDED ON THIS AGENDA

Cllr Wickins showed members samples of possible materials for a new notice-board at Port Navas, which members found not unattractive. With this in mind, he stated that he would go back to the Port Navas Village Hall Committee with a view to seeking quotations. Once he had these, he would again approach the Parish Council for a grant towards the cost.

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5 CORNWALL COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

Cllr Bastin reported that

- the Boundary Commission has proposed that with effect from 2021 a single Unitary Councillor will represent the Electoral District (the Ward) of Constantine, Mabe and Mawnan. He is personally disappointed by the change from the existing arrangement and would have preferred that Budock remained part of the Ward
- Parish Boundaries are to be reviewed by Cornwall Council, which has delegated the initial ground-work to the Cornwall Association of Local Councils – though the Authority will make any final decisions
- The Community Infrastructure Levy has passed through scrutiny and will shortly be adopted by Cornwall. Developers of new homes will have to pay a levy in Constantine of either £100 or £200 per square metre depending on whether or not the site is required to provide affordable housing. On a county-wide basis, it is proposed that 15% of this levy will go directly to those Parish Councils without a Neighbourhood Development Plan and 25% to those that have.

6 PARISH COUNCIL MATTERS

Standing Orders

Following the decision taken at the Annual Meeting to review existing Standing Orders, members recognised that they needed updating. Following discussion, Cllr Painter proposed, Cllr Mrs Thomson seconded and it was agreed to adopt the Model Standing Orders published by the National Association of Local Councils and adapted for Constantine Parish Council by the Clerk with several changes to that adaptation added by Councillors. The new Orders will be published on the website.

General Data Protection and Regulation Act 2018

Members considered a document prepared by the Clerk which sets out the way in which Constantine Parish Council uses personal data as defined in the General Data Protection and Regulation Act 2018. Following discussion it was agreed that, with some additions, this document should be forwarded electronically to Councillors, published on the website and reviewed at the Annual Meeting.

7 PARISH MATTERS

Welcoming Stones

The Clerk reported that the Chairman hopes to be able to complete this project before the end of the school term, but warns that it may have to wait until the school summer holidays.

Street Lighting

Members considered a quotation from SSE Enterprise in the sum of £851.77 net to replace the street light outside Myrio in Bowling Green. Following discussion, Cllr Mrs Thomson proposed, Cllr Painter seconded and it was agreed to instruct SSE Enterprise to renew this light.

The Tolmen Centre

Members considered a request from the Constantine Enterprises Company as the owner of the Tolmen Centre for a letter of support in principle to accompany applications for grant aid for the replacement of the roof. It was agreed that the Clerk should forward a letter to the Constantine Enterprises Company offering the Council's full support.

The Constantine Lights Committee

Members considered a request for permission to plant one Christmas tree on the green next to the car park and another in the garden in The Square both in memory of Liz Moore. It was agreed to defer a decision on this proposal to the meeting in July when it will be an agenda item in order to allow residents the opportunity to comment.

8 PLANNING MATTERS

Applications

PA18/04451 Messrs A and J Benny – Conversions of farm buildings to dwellings – land and buildings East of Trevaides Manor Farm Bungalow, Constantine. Cllr Wickins proposed, Cllr Andrew seconded and it was agreed that this application should be returned marked *Subject to the agreement of the Highways Officer concerning access and the visibility splay, Constantine Parish Council supports this application.*

PA18/04520 Duchy of Cornwall – Works to trees – Rosehill Cottage, Port Navas. Members noted that the Planning Authority has already approved this application.

PA18/04522 Duchy of Cornwall – Tree works – Port Navas, Constantine. Members noted that the Planning Authority has already approved this application.

PA18/04624 Ms S.Levi – Outline planning permission with all matters reserved: Proposed building plot – land South of Pixies Corner, Brill. Cllr Carter proposed, Cllr Mrs Bradley-Davis seconded and it was agreed that this application should be returned marked *Constantine Parish Council supports this application.*

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PA18/04891 Mr and Mrs Rankin-Shuff – Erection of conservatory to the rear – 20 Wheal Vyvyan, Constantine. Cllr Andrew proposed, Cllr Painter seconded and it was agreed that this application should be returned marked *Constantine Parish Council supports this application.*

Decisions

PA18/01598 APPROVED – Erection of a general purpose agricultural building for livestock housing and machinery storage (Phase 1) – Boswidjack Farm, Tucoyse Lane, Higher Brill – *noted*

PA18/03182 APPROVED – Demolition of 20th century stone porch and replacement with lantern-roofed timber conservatory – Bonallack Farmhouse, Bonallack Lane, Gweek – *noted*

PA18/04520 APPROVED – Works to trees – Rosehill Cottage, Port Navas – *noted*

PA18/04522 APPROVED – Tree works – Port Navas, Constantine – *noted*

9 CLERK'S REPORT AND CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence

Local Government Boundary Commission Electoral Review of Cornwall: draft recommendations – *noted*

10 FINANCIAL MATTERS

The Clerk presented Councillors with a statement of Constantine Parish Council's financial position as at June 21, 2018. A copy of that statement is attached to these minutes.

Members considered a request from the Cornwall Air Ambulance for financial help with the work done by the Trust and more particularly with the purchase of a new helicopter. Following discussion, Cllr Carter proposed, Cllr Mrs Bradley-Davis seconded and it was agreed that, using the General Power of Competence (adopted by Constantine Parish Council on May 18, 2017), Constantine Parish Council should forward the sum of £150 to the Cornwall Air Ambulance Trust.

The following accounts were tendered for payment

		GROSS	NET	VAT
HM Revenue and Customs		£ 499.60		
Mr G.Jorey		£ 306.40		
Mrs J.Jennings		£ 62.64		
Constantine Stores Ltd		£ 27.19	£ 22.66	£ 4.53
SSE Southern Electric (The Square)		£ 22.22	£ 21.17	£ 1.05
SSE Southern Electric (Public Lighting)				
March 2 – April 3	£ 84.24			
April 4 – May 1	£ 71.84			
May 2– June 1	£ 79.22			
	total	£ 235.30	£ 224.10	£ 11.20
R.Sanders (PROWs first cut)		£ 787.04	£ 655.87	£ 131.17
Viridor Waste Management Ltd		£ 48.90	£ 40.75	£ 8.15
R.Sanders				
Recreation Ground	£ 370.00			
Port Navas	£ 30.00			
Cemeteries	£ 740.00			
	total	£ 1,368.00	£ 1,140.00	£ 228.00
Colin Chapman				
salary (May)	£ 595.67			
telephone	£ 42.90			
office expenses	£ 60.09			
travelling	£ 30.94			
use of home	£ 25.00			
	total	£ 754.60		

Proposed by Cllr Andrew, seconded by Cllr Mrs Thomson, all others in favour that the above ten accounts be paid.

Members noted the following receipts

Electricity meter (Alice Hext)	£ 32.00
Wayleave (Alice Hext)	£ 43.63

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11 REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES AND REPRESENTATIVES

Cllr Andrew and Cllr Mrs Bradley-Davis reported that each had attended separate meetings of the new Bluebell Wood Management Team. The Team has plans to improve the Public Rights of Way both through the wood and on the approach paths.

12 COMMENTS FROM COUNCILLORS

Councillors reported an increasing number of potholes in the Parish and in particular on the road between Pella Barn and The Stennings, on the Ponjeravah-Port Navas road on the Nancenoy road. The Clerk undertook to report these.

Cllr Carter reported that some friends who had been staying with them, had complimented the Parish both on the variety of play equipment available to children and on the way in which the Recreation Ground in its entirety is maintained.

Members noted that household rubbish left in the road on the evening before collection and investigated and distributed overnight by wild animals is the cause of considerable irritation, particularly in Port Navas.

13 DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETINGS

Thursday July 19, 2018 at 7:00pm in The Vestry, Constantine

The Chairman declared the meeting closed at 8.59pm.

Signed.....

Dated.....

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